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To Whom It May Concern:

It has come to my attention that SRP has submitted their proposal for the Abel-Moody project. My understanding is that they've recommended a route along Rittenhouse from Pecos to Ryan Rd, then east on Ryan to Signal Butte, then south until it meets up with Rittenhouse again.

I understand the need to extend power to the south and east of our community. I agree with this proposed route. This route will avoid my neighborhood, and will not affect the more than 1,000 residents, many of whom signed a petition expressing their concerns and supporting a route that stays north of town center.

Queen Creek currently has a build height limitation of 3 stories – if SRP were to put these lines in they would far exceed that height. In addition to that, they would be visible out the front window of my home, and many other homes, which would not only be very unsightly, I firmly believe that it would also adversely affect the value of my home, my family's health, and be an audible and visual irritant.

I feel for the people who live along the Ryan road route – I think there are 15 of them. However, I think that affecting 15 families and homes is far less of a negative impact than affecting over 1,000 homes and families. If I understand the mapping correctly, the lines installed along Ryan Rd will also be set further away from the homes there, than they would have been from the homes in our community. Also, the Ryan Rd route is largely undeveloped, and as I stated in previous correspondence, when those lines are put in residential areas, the residents should have the choice to purchase there or not. We would never buy a home in such close proximity to high power electrical lines.

Please approve the route along Ryan Rd, I strongly feel that route is the best suited for me, my family, my neighborhood, and my Town. I feel that it is the best compromise between the town, the community, the airport, and SRP.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

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P.S. Attached are copies of my previous letters, and one from my husbands doctor – written prior to the change in preferred route, and prior to the assignment of a docket number. Thank you.

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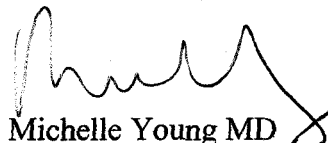
March 27, 2009

To Whom It May Concern:

It has come to my attention that SRP is considering installing power lines (the Abel-Moody project, installing double-circuit 230kV lines with 69kV underbuild) in close proximity to one of my patients' homes (Dean Moretta Jr.). I want to implore you to not build along that route if there is any other option.

In my experience, these lines do cause a variety of physical ailments, ranging from migraine headaches, to cancer, to death. Living in close range to this type of energy can and does alter a humans DNA. Mr. Moretta is a transplant patient who received a transplant over 20 years ago and is currently on the list to receive a second transplant. Should he contract any variety of cancer he would be ineligible for a transplant. Obviously, this could greatly shorten his life expectancy.

Thank you for your time and assistance in this matter,



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March 4, 2009

I previously wrote an e-mail to the ACC expressing my concerns over the Abel-Moody project – and the location being considered along Rittenhouse. I would like to add some additional thoughts and concerns. If I need to send it to a different place in order for it to be placed on file in your permanent record, please let me know.

1) This is a serious accident waiting to happen. They (SRP) are suggesting putting these high power electrical lines along the same route as a major gas line, and along the same route that trains regularly run carrying hazardous materials. Can you just see the explosion now? My home (actually, my neighborhood) would be obliterated.

2) They are an eyesore. I mentioned that before – but I really don't want to look out my front window at 150 – 192 ft power lines in a town where nothing is supposed to be taller than 3 stories high.


3) Audible aggravation. Constant humming. It is enough to make a person nuts. I don't want to have to hear humming and crackling of electricity every time I walk out of my home.

4) Physical hazards. Living with a constant migraine for me doesn't sound like a lot of fun. That is what my life would be like if I lived that close to those high energy lines. My husband, as previously mentioned, is awaiting a liver/kidney transplant. If he contracts any form of cancer, tumor, or weird irregularity, he will be taken off the list. A death sentence for sure.

5) Financial ruin. We would be forced to relocate. In today's market, that is not an option. The location of those power lines will further reduce our property value by about \$20,000 and will greatly reduce the number of people interested in purchasing nearby. **Although we have always done everything "right" financially, the market has changed so drastically that we owe more than we can sell the house for, and that's not considering the further decline in value! Also, we don't want to move. We want the lines installed elsewhere. We are in the home we planned on staying in for many years to come.**

So, it's in your hands. I am frustrated with SRP, and I hope you make the right decision...have them build along Germann, Ryan, or the southernmost route (Hunt Hwy?), where there are fewer homes set further back from the lines, and the majority of the areas are undeveloped as yet.

Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter.


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February 2, 2009

My husband and I attended a meeting / open house by SRP recently, and we are outraged. We were aware that SRP was studying various routes to put the new high power lines through our city, what we were not aware of, was exactly how close they may end up to our home if they choose the route along the railroad / Rittenhouse.

Let me be blunt. These lines are a health concern for us. I know, SRP says they are safe and state various studies (paid for by government agencies) - but you can't convince me it is safe to live that close to those high power lines. Electricity is simply not healthy for the human body. They say they have to be a certain distance from the schools, but not our homes. They say they have to be a certain distance from the gas lines to avoid corrosion, but they don't believe the human body can corrode? My husband is currently working from home and has been on the waiting list for a transplant for a while. He is home all the time and will be bombarded by this electrical influence constantly. If he gets cancer, or a tumor, he will not be eligible for transplant. I don't want him given a death sentence by SRP.

On top of all of that - these power lines are an eyesore. I do not want to look at power lines out my front window. Nor do I want to live in such close proximity to them.

It came to our attention that the lines would be on the north side of the tracks, when at the first 3 meetings they held, we were told they would be on the south side. In order to place them on the north side, and remain far enough for their requirements from the gas lines, and be off the railroad property - they will likely have to take over part of our sub-division (Queenland Manor) - possibly even removing a couple of the homes on the next street over from us (Nightengale). Basically, they will be directly behind my neighbors across the street. Anything within 300 feet is dangerous (I believe the same distance as a football field?). This puts them well within that range, and highly dangerous to live near.

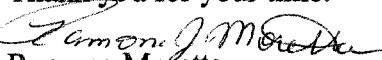
I am aware that the Town of Queen Creek has recommended the route along Germann, east to Meridian (I think), and then south. I agree with that route - because of the air traffic patterns, there shouldn't be many houses along that route, and the ones that are there, are set back further from where the lines will be. This location is also largely undeveloped as yet, and zoned for commercial buildings in the future.

My biggest complaint in all of this is that we should be given a choice to buy a home near these lines or not. We chose not when we bought our house. We'd like very much to keep it that way. We feel that those lines would further decrease the value of our home, making it impossible to move even if we wanted to (which we don't). We like our home, our neighbors, and the Town of Queen Creek. We like the small town atmosphere. We like the limits on height of buildings, and brightness of lights. We don't mind the noise of the railroad or of the airplanes.

We do mind the high power lines. We understand the need for them - but we don't want them in our front yard. The route along Germann has few homes, and they are set back further than the homes along the Rittenhouse route, providing a slightly safer distance.

I am asking that you (the ACC) only entertain the option of the route along Germann, and insist that SRP build to the north (along Germann) in order to keep our town safe, comfortable, and pleasant.

Thank you for your time.


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